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GAS CONNECTIONS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the existing gas connections as on date in the country, State-wise ;

(b) the per annum rate of growth and the rate of increase in production of gas in the country ;

(c) the quantity of LPG imported to meet the demand in the country annually ;

(d) the number of gas connections released during 2004, State-wise ;

(e) the number of persons on the waiting list for gas connections as on December 31, 2004 ; and

(f) the steps taken to clear the waiting list ?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS & PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) : As on 01.01.2005, 826.80 lakh LPG customers were registered with Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs). The State-wise details are given in Annexe-I.

(b) : The rate of growth/increase in consumption and production of LPG in the country during the last three years is as under :-

Year	Consumption(%)	Production(%)
2001-02	10.1	13.7
2002-03	8.1	4.2
2003-04	13.1	5.0

(c) : OMCs have imported 659 Thousand Metric Tonnes (TMT), 1,073 TMT and 1,708 TMT of LPG to meet the demand in the country during the years 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04 respectively.

(d) During the year 2004, OMCs enrolled 77.58 lakh customers . The State-wise details are given in Annexe-II.

(e) & (f) : As on 31.12.2004, there was no waiting list for LPG connections with OMCs.